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A Continuation of the Reflections on the Elector of Bavaria's *Manifeſto*.

WHEN the Peace of Riſwick was concluded, (ſays the Manifeſto,) *the Elector of Bavaria was Governour for the King of Spain of the Netherlands, which ſince Charles the Vth's Time have been a Circle of the Empire.* Does the Elector of Bavaria reckon that Government for nothing; can he think the Emperor had no Part in the Nomination of his Highneſs to that Dignity? 'Tis ſo well known to the World that there was ſo perfect an Underſtanding between the Families of the auguſt Houſe of Auſtria, that the one never diſpos'd of the leaſt thing of Importance without the Advice and Conſent of the other, that 'tis unneceſſary to inform them that that Government was given with the Conſent of the Emperor, and that his Electoral Highneſs could never have had it without his Conſent: But we will ſay, that the *Netherlands* being, as the Author of the Manifeſto owns, *a Circle of the Empire*, it was not reaſonable to conſer the Government of it on any Perſon without the Emperor's good liking. We will venture to go further, and affirm, that his Electoral Highneſs was oblig'd for that Government, ſolely to the Emperor; who deſign'd by it to recompence in Part the good Services he had done him in Hungary, and to ſhew the Confidence he had in him at a Time when his Imperial Majeſty had ſo great an Intereſt at ſtake, We mean *the Succeſſion of the late King of Spain Charles II, who* (as the Manifeſto ſays) *had no Children to leave behind him, and whoſe ill ſtate of Health made it preſum'd his Death was not far off.* That Succeſſion, to which the Emperor had not only the juſteſt Pretention as Heir by Blood, but had alſo the ſincere Wiſhes and Deſires of the drooping King and of the whole Spaniſh Nation on his ſide, made it convenient the Government of the Spaniſh Netherlands ſhould be entruſted to a Perſon, whoſe Fidelity was Proof againſt all Temptations, and who upon the Death of the ſaid King would be firm to the rightful Cauſe, and not ſuffer himſelf to be inveigled by the Careſſes, or terrified by the Threats which 'twas expected France would make uſe of, tho' excluded from all Pretention by the ſtrongeſt Bars that could be thought of for ſecuring any thing in this World. Now what Perſon could have been choſen for that Government, who could be ſuppos'd to have more Fidelity, and to be better Proof againſt all Attacks, than the Elector of Bavaria? Beſides the good Opinion the Houſe of Auſtria had reaſon to have of his Integrity and Courage, he was moſt nearly allied by Blood to the Emperor and the King of Spain: And therefore it may well be imagin'd that Government was given him upon the Emperor's Recommendation, in an Aſſurance that he would take Care the Netherlands ſhould not fall into the Hands of the French King, and that there ſhould be no occaſion to recover thoſe Countries by a bloody War. If the Emperor was deceiv'd in that Expectation, it was only by his having too good an Opinion of his Electoral Highneſs; and too great Friendſhip for a Prince whom he thought he could not gratify too much, while he believ'd him to be cordially in his Intereſt.

After this, the Author of the Manifeſto brings in the Elector with the Scales of Juſtice in his Hands, weighing the Merits of the Parties pretending to this Succeſſion. *The Emperor* (ſays he) *did not conceal his Pretenſions.* Why ſhould he conceal them? ſeeing they were founded on Laws divine and human, on the Preference of Males to Females, on Diſpoſitions approv'd and ſworn to by the Eſtates of the Monarchy of Spain, on the laſt Wills of Philip IV, and the King his Predeceſſor, and on the known conſtant Reſolution of King Charles II to have no other Heir than the Archduke his Imperial Majeſty's Son. On the other ſide, the *Dauphin* (ſays he) *made no Secret of the Reſolution he had taken to make good his Pretentions.* It was however a thing fitter to be kept ſecret than own'd, becauſe 'tis not very reputable to make light of one's Oaths, and to lay Claim to what one has once ſolemnly renounc'd. *Does it become a Man* to profeſs openly that he had deceiv'd his Relations and Friends, by promiſing and ſwearing what he had no Intention to perform? But we make no Difficulty to ſay we do not believe the Dauphin own'd this Cauſe: The Candour and Honeſt Diſpoſition of that Prince, (which are perhaps the Cauſe why he is kept out of Affairs, that often require to be manag'd with leſs Equity and Ingenuity than he has,) that honeſt Temper of the Dauphin's, I ſay, will not permit us to believe he could reſolve to Violate the moſt ſacred Oaths.

But to proceed; the *Manifeſto* tells us *the World caſt their Eyes on the only Son his Electoral Highneſs had by his firſt Wife the Arch-Dutcheſs Maria Antonietta, Daughter of the Emperor by the Infanta Margaret Siſter of the King of Spain Charles II, as on a Prince who had ſome Pretentions to the Crown of Spain, and whom it was the Intereſt of Nations to place on the Throne of that Monarchy.* It was a ſtrange Neglect, if the Elector himſelf, the Father of that young Prince, did not likewiſe caſt his Eyes upon him: And if he did, as 'tis more than probable, 'tis as ſtrange he ſhould not acknowledge the great Obligation he was under to the Houſe of Auſtria for giving him a Wife, whoſe Son might come to enjoy ſo great a Succeſſion. As for the Friendſhip between France and him, 'tis of no long ſtanding: He knows what Clamours they rais'd, to hinder his being made Governour of the Spaniſh Netherlands; becauſe indeed 'twas a Bar to the Deſign they always had of making themſelves Maſters of the Spaniſh Monarchy: And if they conſented to the Expedient of conferring the Succeſſion of Spain on his Son, 'tis evident by their Infraction of the laſt Treaty of Partition, that had his Son liv'd, they would have oppos'd him and been his moſt implacable Enemies. And who knows if Circumſtances of Affairs ſhould make it convenient for them to abandon his Electoral Highneſs to the ill Fortune he has already begun to feel, whether they would not ſacrifice him as they did King James: And whether they would trouble themſelves any more to reconquer Bavaria for him, than they did to recover England for that King, whom they abandon'd after all the Promiſes they gave him never to make Peace before they

they had restor'd him to his Crown; and yet they themselves own they were so far from being reduc'd to the Necessity of making the Peace of Riswick, that they make it their great Boast they gave Peace to Europe.

The Designs and Enterprizes of France having almost all been against the House of Austria, the Author of the Manifesto is not much out when he says *that House has a Star fatal to all those who stand in the Way of their Grandeur*: By the many Enterprizes France has undertaken in the last 40 Years, it appears they have a great Opinion of themselves; but the Success they have had in all their Attempts, is not much to be boasted of. They form bold Designs; employ violent Methods at home, and make powerful Efforts abroad, to compass them; but they have hitherto always fallen short of their mighty Aims. And confessing 'tis a Star that favours the House of Austria, is owning in other Words that Heaven removes the Obstacles to their Grandeur: But ought not the visible Protection of Heaven to be attributed to the manifest Justice of their Cause? God has not assisted the House of Austria to dispossess any weak Prince, or aggrandize it self by unjust means; but to defend it self from the Oppression, with which Fraud and Infidelity have often threaten'd it: It has always been content with a Dominion and Revenues acquir'd by the justest Methods, without grasping at more in Breach of Treaties and solemn Oaths.

This its very Enemies cannot have the Confidence to deny; even they who place the greatness of Kings and the Lustre of their Crowns, in their being continually in Arms; as though the Power to push any Enterprize, were a just and sufficient Motive for attempting it. 'Tis not therefore to *the Star so fatal to all those who stand in the Way of the Grandeur of the House of Austria*, that the Death of the Electoral Prince ought to be attributed, though the Author of the Manifesto insinuates *he died of a very light Indisposition, which had often attack'd him without Danger, before he was appointed to wear the Crown of Spain*; For if the Quality of presumptive Heir had an Influence fatal to him, it ought at least to be equally charg'd upon all that were Competitors for that Succession, unless there were some particular Reasons to suspect one more than another.

Falmouth, December 31. Yesterday came in from Cruising the Golden Moon of Flushing without Purchase. This Day was brought in a Ship belonging to St. George in the River of Bourdeaux, laden with Wine for Brest: She was taken 3 Days ago with 4 others from the said River by the Marlborough Privateer of Flushing. There came out with them 100 more, without Convoy.

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